

ABSTRACT

An acupuncture needle insertion guide tube including a guide tube body having a proximal end portion, a distal end portion, an inner diameter, and an outer surface. At the proximal end portion, there is disposed a needle holding structure monolithically formed with the guide tube body. The needle holding structure includes a needle holding clamp, and a needle passing opening, wherein the needle holding clamp includes a needle holding opening that is smaller than the needle passing opening. The needle holding opening is sized to hold an acupuncture needle handle, whereas the needle passing opening is sized to freely pass the acupuncture needle handle.